

East Coast Bridges And Roads Being Built With Tax Money From Glades

We're Glad For Them But
Wonder When We're To
Have Recognition

It's "of pleasing to have what's "yours" given to even your best friend, especially when you're in such need, but to have it flaunted in your face as a wonderful accomplishment of the consolidated County Commission, it just don't "set" well.

The papers of the West Palm headline a four lane bridge at Delray, mention one at Southern Boulevard, tell about one at Congress Avenue and are sure that one at Lantana will be soon finished.

are getting bridges—even large bridges and walkways—but we're just wondering how much longer we in the Glades have got to put up with the "red-headed step child" treatment on roads, when our developments are bursting at the seams to increase the county and state tax rolls, both real property, personal property, gasoline and cigarette tax.

The story's the same it was last June when we published the facts, but we're going to repeat them for the benefit of those who've forgotten and those who haven't heard.

"One seventh of the total gasoline tax for the county comes back to the county for roads," Governor Holland's administration provided a way where the anticipated one cent per gallon could be mortgaged and bonds issued against this anticipated income to provide ready money for road construction. This allows us to use the roads while paying for them—and it's a good deal.

"Your commissioners took a \$3,600,000 in bonds, with the entire county's one cent tax mortgaged for the repayment. The Glades has received about \$155,000 of this money to ruin the most attractive residential streets in the Glades—Bacom Point Road.

"The 1948 figures indicate we should have repaid \$1,214,000."

We ain't as bad as we used to be; maybe someday our Honorable Commission will acknowledge the Glades as an integral part of the County. We're bigger than 60 percent of the counties in Florida anyhow and they pay expenses on race track money. Ho, hum! maybe sometime soon we'll take time off from our farming to arrange some relief.

FFA SCHEDULE SOFTBALL GAME WEDNESDAY

Future Farmers of America chapter schedule a softball game with Pahokee at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon here at Memorial Field.

Winner of the game will be eligible to go to the subdistrict meeting March 31 in Moore Haven.

Ag Questionnaire Census Due Soon

of the Census mailing list is March with a request that answers to the inquiries be filled in by the farm operator. This procedure will allow farmers to consult their records when filling in the questionnaire and will save time for both the farmer and the census taker when the latter calls at the farm in April.

has been printed in 41 variations, one for each state or group of states. Basic inquiries for all questionnaires are identical but variations are made for differences in crop harvests and classes of livestock holdings. The major portion of each questionnaire is devoted to inquiries about 50 different field crops, fruits, and vegetables.

However, the average farmer raises only four or five crops and will need only a little time to answer the livestock question.

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Rural Life Topics

Girls from Florida State Uni-
versity, Tallahassee, will join
boys from the University of Flor-
ida, Gainesville, March 31 and
April 1 in a conference designed
to focus attention on opportuni-
ties and responsibilities con-
nected with rural living in Flor-
ida.

Girls attending will be mem-
bers of the College 4-H Club
who are carrying their 4-H con-
nections into college life, and
boys will represent the Agricul-
tural Club at the University of
Florida.

The two organizations have
sponsored two similar rural life
conferences in previous years.
Both received high commenda-
tion from agriculture and home
economics leaders who assisted
with them.

Bill Nelson, Gainesville, is
general chairman of the 1950
session. Dr. T. Lynn Smith, pro-
fessor of sociology at the Uni-
versity of Florida, will be the
principal speaker, using the top-
ic of rural living in Florida.
Other speakers will include
Dr. John S. Allen, vice-presi-
dent of the University, Mary
E. Keown, state home de-
monstration agent, Tallahassee,
Dr. J. Wayne Bello, general
agriculture, and Marshall O.
Watkins, assistant to the direc-
tor of extension.

Discussion leaders among the
young people will include Paul
Pohl, Catherine Thompson, Lou-
ise Spathe and Meriam Holmes,
Dade County; Ruth Lemonson,
Leon County; Ingrid Thorne,
and Marvin Herndon, Palm Beach;
Doyle Conner, Bradford; Bron-
son Eklund, Hillsborough; M. L.
Laurie, Moore; Madison; James
Smith, Columbia; and Mary Kay
Dier.

Florida Council Of
Farmer Cooperatives
To Meet In Orlando

The Florida Council of Farm-
er Cooperatives will hold its
annual meeting here Friday,
April 14, according to Doyle
Timmons, economist with the
State Agricultural Extension
service and secretary of the or-
ganization.

With Paul B. Dickman, Rus-
sian vegetable grower and presi-
dent of the council, presiding,
the meeting will get under way
at 10 o'clock Friday morning
and will continue through the
afternoon. Transportation, pub-
lic relations, the responsibility
of cooperatives in the free en-
terprise system, marketing
trends, and other matters of
importance to cooperative mem-
bers will be discussed by out-
standing speakers.

Program speakers include I.
W. Duggan, Columbia S. C.,
governor of the Farm Credit
Administration; Karl Lees, Cali-
fornia Fruit Growers Exchange
attorney and chairman of the Na-
tional Council of Farmer Co-
operatives; W. C. VanCleave, presi-
dent of the Florida Citrus Ex-
change; Marvin Walker, general
manager of the Florida Citrus
Canners Cooperative; May or
William Beardsall of Orlando;
A. Y. Saurman, Clearwater,
vice-president of the Florida
Council; and John Ford, Or-
lando, executive secretary of
the Florida Farm Bureau.

A special afternoon feature
of the meeting will be a panel
discussion on cooperative mat-
ters by W. O. Duple, Orlando,
J. D. Lawrence, Columbia, presi-
dent of Columbia Bank of Co-
operatives, Homer Ford, Or-
lando, executive secretary of the
Everglades Growers Coopera-
tive, Belle Glade, Counts Jan-
son of the Florida Citrus Ex-
change, Tampa, and E. B. How-
ard, Waverly.

RED CROSS STORY

Continued from Page 1
ing which the American Red
Cross makes its annual appeal
for funds to support its noble
work—locally, nationally, and
internationally. During the last
decade the American people
have responded generously. This
year I feel sure the response
will be even more generous.
The distinguished leadership
of General Marshall, again
will be generous and immo-
tally.

It is perhaps not so unifying
that I should refer to the Red
Cross in this Chamber. In this
area where many debates are
translated into the laws of the
land, we may well pause from
time to time to consider matters
upon which all of us have, re-
presenting the American people,
been fully agreed.

The American Red Cross sym-
bol stands for service to human-
ity, all over our own country
and throughout the world. It
has 5,746 local chapters, estab-
lished and working for good in
almost every city and hamlet in
these United States.

It was in this Chamber, in 19-
47, by unanimous vote of the
Senate, that a revised Federal
charter for the Red Cross was
approved. This charter is com-
pletely democratic in concept.
It affords far greater representa-
tion to all the units of the or-
ganization. With its governmen-
tal endorsement, and its essen-
tially voluntary basis of opera-
tion, it seems to me to represent
to a significant degree democ-
racy in action.

In its great work for our ser-
vicesmen and their families, for
veterans, for the victims of dis-
aster, in its promotion of the
general health and a welfare
through its new national blood
program, its nursing services
and its splendid work for salu-
tary of life and limb, and in its
far-reaching mobilization of the
youth of the Nation through
the Junior Red Cross, it is re-
cognized by men and women of
good will everywhere as one of
the most intelligent and effec-
tive humanitarian movements
ever put forth by the people of
any nation.

In these days of uncertainty

and of tension in wide areas
of the civilized world, we have
reason to rejoice because there
exists in our country this great
force for good, upon whose aims
and purposes we can all agree,
and whose achievement we can
all appreciate with pride and
pride and gratitude.

A new service has been added
to the duty roster of the Palm
Beach County Red Cross Gray
Lady section, it was disclosed
this week by Mrs. E. L. T.
Smith, chairman of the volun-
teer group.

Mrs. Smith said that members
of her volunteer organization
would start this week in assist-
ing with work at the weekly
cancer clinic which is held at
St. Mary's Hospital here. She
said the group also expects to
be assigned to other duties in
the hospital in the near future.

The Gray Lady chairman said
more volunteers are needed for
her section and that new mem-
bers may enroll at any time for
a part in the community service
program.

Red Cross training classes for
nearly 300 Junior High students
in Palm Beach County, have
been completed this week, ac-
cording to John Abbe, chair-
man of the Red Cross chapter.

Largest class to complete
training in section was at
Delray Beach, where 90 stu-
dents completed training in ac-
cident prevention.

At Delray Junior High School,
80 students were awarded cer-
tificates for completing a course
in first aid.

At Northshore Junior High School
in West Palm Beach, a class
of 67 students finished
training in accident preven-
tion and first aid.

Abbe said that 250 Lake
Worth Junior High students are
about to start first aid train-
ing this week.

Population Of Florida, Age
Groups Show Variations

Age groups of Florida's popu-
lation showed varying rates of
increase, 1940 to 1948, the Flor-
ida State Chamber of Com-
merce reported this week.

A striking trend in the age
group make-up of Florida's popu-
lation since 1940 has been an
up-turn in the proportion of the
population under 21 years of
age. This trend is reflected in
view of the State Chamber's re-
port that the total number of per-
sons under voting age in 1948
was 1,092,000 or 37 per cent
of the total. This percentage was
up one point over 1940.

Persons from 21 to 64 inclu-
sive numbered 3,100,000 or 58
percent of the total, below the
proportion held by this group
in 1940 by a point and one-half.
The group 65 years and over
totalled 1,700,000 or a little over
7 percent of the State's total
population, up less than one per-
cent from 1940.

Both the youngest and the
oldest groups gained at the ex-
pense of the middle group but
the gain of the segment under
21 was greater than the group
65 and over.

By groups, the segment under
21 increased 28 percent; the
middle group 20 percent and the
65 and over group 38 percent.
From 1940 to 1948, the last
year for which detailed fig-
ures are available.

Nationally the group over 65
increased at the expense of the
group under 21 while the mid-
dle group's share remained con-
stant during the eight year pe-
riod.

State Retailers Association
To Hold Section Meet

State Comptroller Clarence
M. Gay will be principal speak-
er at the 1950 Annual Meeting
of the Florida State Retailers
Association, to be held Wednes-
day, April 12, at the George
Washington Hotel in West Palm
Beach. Merchants from all sec-
tions of the state will attend to
help formulate the organiza-
tion's legislative program for
the 1951 session of the Legis-
lature.

Formal announcement of the
annual affair is made in the in-
augural issue of a new monthly
magazine which will serve the
retail industry of Florida under
the name of F.O.R.I.D.A. MER-
CHANT. Official publication of
the state organization, its edi-
tor, and publisher is Dallas L.
Hofstetter, executive director of
the Florida State Retailers As-
sociation.

Florida's state sales tax, de-
bated by F.S.R.A. as con-
fusing, costly to administer,
exemption-ridden and impossible
to audit is certain to be the
principal subject of discussion
during the merchants' meeting.
The Association is scheduled to
formulate and announce its posi-
tion on the sales tax question
at the West Palm Beach session.

Strong advocate of greater
economy and efficiency in state
government operation, the as-
sociation also is ex-
pected to make some specific re-
commendations for the reduc-
tion of state expenditures. The
Association is credited with hav-
ing helped cut \$4,500,000 an-
nually from the tax burden of
Florida taxpayers during the
1949 regular session of the Leg-
islature.

Continuation of the Joint
House-Senate Tax Survey in-
augurated by the 1947 Florida
Legislature is certain to be ur-
ged by the retailers of the state.
The Florida State Retailers As-
sociation provided business
leadership for that undertaking
and had thirteen representa-
tives on the tax survey commit-
tee. Results of a poll of all can-
didates for the Legislature on a
six-point check list prepared
by F.S.R.A. will be made known
at the April 12th meeting.

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ness size and style, FLORIDA
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scribed by its producers as
spokesman for the "largest sin-
gle segment in the whole of the
State's economy." Four thou-
sand copies of the initial issue
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tribution Saturday, March 25.

You can help get out the vote
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Farmall tractors painted white, with gold stars, red wheels and a blue and red "teardrop" display over the hood, are being featured by International Harvester dealers throughout the nation during a special Mid-Century Farmall demonstration campaign. Part-time farmers, small, medium, and large-acreage farmers, vegetable and specialty-crop growers, and estate owners are all invited to ask their local IH dealer for a demonstration. The Farmall Cub, smallest of five Farmall tractors, is shown here with a direct-drive McCormick plow. Other Farmall tractors painted white for the campaign are the Super-A and C.

Employment Picture Of State Brightens

The Florida employment picture brightened in almost every respect during February as compared to January, according to reports from the Florida State Employment Service.

The number of persons making applications for jobs through the Employment Service decreased 2,716. There were 12,827 applications in February as compared to January's 15,543 total. In keeping with the brighter outlook, job placements were up 927 during February. Approximately 17,714 persons were placed in jobs last month, while 16,847 were recorded for January. This marks the third consecutive month in which there have been improvements.

There were 12,694 non-agricultural placements during February and 5,860 farm jobs filled through the Employment Service, which is considerably higher than in January. This is due mainly to the increase in vegetable harvesting in south Florida.

Non-agricultural jobs filled in February included chiefly service, wholesale and retail, construction and manufacturing.

A total of 3,017 veterans were placed in jobs, 474 of whom were physically handicapped. In addition, 300 disabled non-veterans were found jobs by the Employment Service.

All gains over January.

At the beginning of the month there were 43,462, including 10,431 veterans, seeking jobs through the Employment Service offices throughout the State.

Florida, like other Southern states, has good reason for adding special emphasis to the observance of National Negro Health Week, April 2-8.

Dr. Wilson T. Sowder, Florida State Health officer, is encouraged by the notable progress in the field of Negro health during the past 20 years.

Dr. Sowder added, "But so long as the Negro death rate lags significantly behind that of the white population, we still have cause for concern."

Diseases and death follow no color line. Among infectious diseases, for instance, anything that offers a peril to the Negro creates a risk for all. That is why we are concerned with health education and prevention measures for such diseases as tuberculosis and venereal disease among Negroes.

Progress Florida has made in increasing the life span of its Negro population is shown in statistical tables compiled by the State Health Board's Bureau of Vital Statistics.

In 1920, for instance, the life expectancy was almost 52 years, a gain of nearly six years.

"We are confident," Dr. Sowder continued, "that a similar gain will be shown for the past ten years as soon as data now being compiled can be consolidated."

"It might be added that the life expectancy of Negroes has increased much more substantially than that of the white population. But that is because the Negro population had a longer way to go."

To show the gap that exists among the races, Dr. Sowder pointed out that while the Negro male infant had a life expectancy of 52 years on the basis of the 1940 figures, the white male infant could expect to average slightly more than 65 years of life.

Belle Glade Area Has Slight Labor Shortage

With the exception of the West Palm Beach, Ft. Lauderdale and Belle Glade areas, Florida's agricultural labor remained an even balance of supply and demand during the week ending March 11, the Florida State Employment Service reported this week.

Slight shortages of labor, particularly bean harvest hands, for those three areas is expected to last only two or four weeks. This is the spring bean season peak.

Throughout the rest of the state no special change has been recorded. The Miami area shows peak harvest of tomatoes and potatoes. Beans and other crops are coming in heavy. Tomato harvest will be heavy in the Bradenton-Sarasota vicinity about April 10. In Palatka and Hastings, the potato crop will be coming in heavy during April and the first part of May. None of these areas, however, report any labor shortages, nor predict any great labor need for the future.

In Belle Glade employment opportunities will increase for white women in-migrants during the next two weeks in vegetable packing sheds. Available housing, however, is limited.

Citrus canning, which has been slowed due to exhaustion of mid-season varieties of citrus fruits will probably pick up as the Valencia crop comes into volume. At the present, citrus canning in canneries is 1,319,499 boxes greater than this time last year. Only grapefruit processing has lagged.

The Florida State Employment Service attempts to have the latest available information

on crops and labor supply for the benefit of growers and workers. The local offices will furnish all available information upon request.

Presbyterian College Choir Gives Program

Presbyterian College's 35-voiced choir will present its program of sacred music and worship at Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1300 South Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach on Friday evening, March 31 at 8:00 o'clock.

The all-male glee club is conducted by Dr. Edmund Patte, who also heads the college Sociology Department.

For his Worship Program, Dr. Patte has grouped a series of motets, anthems and chorales around the Apostles' Creed. He will present significant pieces of ancient and modern sacred music to the church audience.

The program of the Presbyterian College Choir includes: "To God On High" by Decius; "O Bone Jesu," "O My People," and "Adoramus Te," all by Palestrina; "Blessed Be The Day" by Handel; "All Praise To God The Way" by Gluck; and "Come Sweetest Rest" by Bach.

Martin Wood, a graduate of Palm Beach High School and a member of the Senior Class at Presbyterian College, will sing with the Choir.

I WANT TO BE

(Continued from Page 1) the late Andrew Boyette who, likewise, was well known in the sawmill and export lumber business in Florida.

After graduating from the University of Florida, Boyette was engaged in the export lumber trade, buying lumber from Brooks-Scanlon Corporation for sale in the Cape Verde Islands in West Africa.

Prior to this he was connected with the sales force of the Peninsular Life Insurance Company. Boyette received his elemen-

tary and high school education in Arcadia, Florida, his family having moved to Deltona County from Escambia, where his father continued in the lumber business.

Boyette was a star athlete both in his high school and university days. As a track man in his senior year at high school he won the national championship as a "quarter miler" at the University of Chicago under the sponsorship of Alonzo Stagg, the great old man of football.

Boyette played freshman football at the university and in his senior year, 1932, captained the varsity track team.

He took a prominent part in all campus activities and among other things was a member of the glee club. He majored in education.

After graduating from high school he took a general course in business administration and salesmanship at the Purcell Mills School in St. Louis before going to St. Louis before.

Boyette married Miss Margaret Sharp, daughter of Dr. Eugene A. Sharp, of Jacksonville. They have three daughters.

He is a member of the Mother Day Club, members of the Sigma Chi fraternity and the University of Florida Alumni Association.

Organizations with which he is affiliated include Florida Dairyman's Association, Florida Farm Bureau, Florida Cattleman's Association, Florida Crop Improvement Association, Quincy Cattle Club of America, Florida Peace Officers Association, the Maritime Chamber of Commerce and Florida Young Democrats.

"I believe my education and business experience eminently qualify me for the Commission," Boyette says. "I intend to wage a vigorous campaign and will shortly announce my platform."

Voting is a civic duty. Don't neglect it. Register before April 1. Vote May 2nd.

New Officers Elected By Legion Auxiliary

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary was held Monday night at the Legion Hall with president, Mrs. Ruth Beck, presiding.

Mrs. J. B. Jones, chairman, reported \$186.74 from Poppy Day sales. Mrs. Bryant McLeod reported the booth at the fair a success, net proceeds about \$185.00. Mrs. Beck, president, expressed her thanks for the splendid cooperation of the members. It was voted to write letters of thanks to the American Legion and VFW for booth space at the fair; to Mr. Jerry Gold for popcorn donated; and to Mr. Lamb for use of the popcorn machine.

\$7.50 was voted to be divided among three Junior Auxiliary girls: Loraine Kelley, Connie Kelley and Sadie Willis, and two legion boys: George Fennell and Jay Freeman, for selling the most poppies last Saturday.

It was voted to oppose the dismemberment of the Veterans Administration.

The Auxiliary voted to again sponsor a girl at Girls State this year and to pay registration fees for four delegates at the department convention of the Legion Auxiliary at Ft. Lauderdale beginning April 21.

Mrs. Thelma Morris, chairman of the nominating committee, reported the following slate of officers elected: President, Mrs. Edna Kirkman; first vice-president, Mrs. Lucy Gregory; second vice-president, Mrs. Jane Rankley; recording secretary, Mrs. Marjorie Yadas; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ruth Beck; treasurer, Mrs. Nancy Pace; chaplain, Mrs. Evelyn Blair; historian, Mrs. Nonnie Parrott; sergeants at arms, Mrs. Effie Allen and Mrs. Mary McLeod.

Ten junior auxiliary girls attended, requesting Mrs. Evelyn Blair to be retained as their group chairman.

Mrs. Effie Allen reported on the District 9 Conference held at Hollywood Sunday.

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